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SUBJECT: UNESCO 18TH GENERAL CONFERENCE: ARAB-MOSLEM

RESOLUTION ON ISRAELI EXCAVATION IN
JERUSALEM

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1. EFFORTS AFRICANS AND DG M'BOW MODERATE JERUSALEM
RESOLUTION REJECTED BY ARABS AT MEETING LAST NIGHT.
AFRICAN REPS. DAHOMEY, SENEGAL, NIGERIA AND REPORTEDLY
KENYA MET WITH ARABS TO DISCUSS PROPOSED MODIFICATION
OF DR REPORTED IN REFTEL. M'BOW ALSO SEEN AT SAUDI
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ARABIA COCKTAIL PARTY ARGUING ADAMANTLY WITH ARABS LED

BY DERRADJI OF ALGERIA. PERMREP INFORMED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE M'BOW THAT AFRICANS MADE STRONGEST EFFORT POSSIBLE AND ARE ANGERED BY LACK OF RESPONSE BY ARABS. ARABS HAD ORIGINALLY INDICATED RECEPTIVITY TO CHANGE BUT AT LAST MOVEMENT BACKED OUT AND REFUSED TO BUDGE.

2. MODERATE AFRICANS INTEND TRY OBTAIN AS MANY ABSTENTIONS AS POSSIBLE IN VOTE ON DR. INTRANSIGENCE OF ARABS HAS CAUSED DEFINITE SPLIT IN AFRO-ARAB SOLIDARITY AND CREATED FEELINGS OF BITTERNESS.

3. STILL, ARABS PRESSING HARD BUILD UP VOTE FOR RESOLUTION AND ENTIRELY LIKELY THAT FINAL VOTE WILL REFLECT LARGER VOTE FOR THE RESOLUTION.

4. PERMREP DISCUSSED SITUATION WITH BAR-YAACOV, ISRAEL, THIS MORNING AND HE CONCURS FURTHER EFFORT CHANGE TEXT PROBABLY FRUITLESS. VOTE TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, PROBABLY P.M.

5. UNCLEAR WHETHER NEW DEBATE WITH USUAL CHARGES WILL DEVELOP. PERMREP PLANS EXPLAIN VOTE BUT AT LESS LENGTH THAN IN COMMISSION. WOULD MAKE REFERENCE TO THAT STRONG STATEMENT BUT NOT FULLY REPEAT.

6. FYI: SEVERAL HUNDRED OF YOUNG JEWISH GROUP DEMONSTRATED AS SCHEDULED LAST EVENING. TOOK PLACE AT SAME TIME AS SAUDI ARABIAN COCKTAIL PARTY HELD IN UNESCO BUILDING. UNESCO COMPLEX COMPLETELY RINGED WITH HEAVILY ARMED POLICE AND DEMONSTRATION REMAINED PEACEFUL. REPS. OF GROUP PRESENTED PETITION ON JERUSALEM ITEM TO REPRESENTATIVE OF NEW DG.

7. WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT ADVISED.
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